

Summary of Michigan Wildlife Chronic Wasting Disease Surveillance

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Michigan's success in preventing and responding to the threat of Chronic Wasting Disease is underpinned by rigorous surveillance, strong public education efforts, and responsive scientific laboratory support.

MDNR's surveillance efforts are threefold: "Targeted" (identifying and testing free-ranging cervids statewide that show symptoms consistent with CWD), "Active" (testing of outwardly healthy cervids harvested by hunters), and "Roadkill" (testing of free-ranging cervids collected as roadkill). Testing priority is established by considering factors such as: the number of privately owned cervid facilities in a county; the presence of cervid research facilities; and geographic location. Counties judged on the basis of epidemiological factors to be of higher risk may be sampled repeatedly during this period.

	Free-ranging White-tailed Deer Active CWD Surveillance		Free-ranging White-tailed Deer Roadkill CWD Surveillance		Free-ranging White-tailed Deer Targeted CWD Surveillance		Total White-tailed Deer Tested
Year	Number of Deer Positive	Total Tested	Number of Deer Positive	Total Tested	Number of Deer Positive	Total Tested	
1998	0	459	0	0	0	0	459
2002	0	4,305	0	22	0	46	4,373
2003	0	5,513	0	50	0	54	5,617
2004	0	6,717	0	38	0	62	6,817
2005	0	1,603	0	19	0	79	1,701
2006	0	1,462	0	9	0	73	1,544
2007	0	1,344	0	7	0	48	1,399
2008	0	9,020	0	232	0	89	9,341
2009	0	50	0	3	0	24	77
Total	0	30,473	0	380	0	475	31,328

TOTAL DEER TESTED- 31,328

	Free-ranging Elk Active CWD Surveillance		Free-ranging Elk Roadkill CWD Surveillance		Free-ranging Elk Targeted CWD Surveillance		Total Elk Tested
Year	Number of Elk Positive	Total Tested	Number of Elk Positive	Total Tested	Number of Elk Positive	Total Tested	
2002	0	109	0	3	0	2	114
2003	0	85	0	9	0	1	95
2004	0	99	0	8	0	2	109
2005	0	112	0	13	0	5	130
2006	0	144	0	10	0	3	157
2007	0	178	0	10	0	6	194
2008	0	256	0	11	0	10	277
2009	0	29	0	3	0	2	34
Total	0	1012	0	67	0	31	1110

TOTAL ELK TESTED- 1110

	Free-ranging Moose Active CWD Surveillance		Free-ranging Moose Roadkill CWD Surveillance		Free-ranging Moose Targeted CWD Surveillance		Total Moose Tested
Year	Number of Moose Positive	Total Tested	Number of Moose Positive	Total Tested	Number of Moose Positive	Total Tested	
2003	0	4	0	1	0	3	8
2004	0	4	0	3	0	5	12
2005	0	1	0	4	0	2	7
2006	0	2	0	3	0	1	6
2007	0	3	0	5	0	0	8
2008	0	2	0	5	0	1	8
2009	0	2	0	1	0	0	3
Total	0	18	0	22	0	12	52

TOTAL MOOSE TESTED- 52

